



Xmas Display

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**We Will Cash
Your Christmas
Club Check**

**OUR HOLIDAY DISPLAY
OF MISSION FURNI-
TURE MERITS YOUR
INSPECTION.**

EARLY SHOPPING IS A VIRTUE

It helps you, it helps us and it helps all along the line. Stocks are now complete and offer better inducements to gift seekers than will prevail later.

THE SPIRIT of Christmas giving nowadays is just the same as it ever was, but associated with the beautiful sentiment of making people happy is the sensible thought of giving something useful, worthful and practical. On that point this store has shone brightest for it has always been Bridgeport's foremost exponent of practical gift-giving—and the leading store of practical gifts.

**THIS BIG DAYLIGHT STORE JUST TEEMS WITH
HOLIDAY GOODS**

Smoking Stands, Card Tables, Cellarettes, Cut Glass, Cedar Chests, Handsome Gas or Electric Table Lamps or Domes, Tables, Reed Chairs, Curio Cabinets, High Boys, House or Office Desks, Low Boys, Crystal Closets, Book Cases, Easy Chairs, Leather Chairs, Library Tables, Desk Chairs, Shaving Stands, Parlor Rockers, Buffets, Library Desks, Cheval Mirrors, Davenport, Art Domes, Couches, Writing Tables, Music Cabinets, Toilet Closets, Morris Chairs, Etc.

Geo. B. Clark & Co.
1057-1073 Broad St. Opp. Post Office

DON'T FORGET THE TOTS
In selecting our holiday goods we did not forget the "kiddies." We have provided liberally for both the girls and the boys.

FOR EXAMPLE

Doll Carriages,
Hobby Horses,
Rocking Horses,
Dolls, Rockers, Dressers,
Chiffoniers,
Extension Tables,
Desks, Chairs, Bookcases,
Blackboards, Doll Beds,
Foot Power Automobiles,
Etc. Etc.

SHOP EARLY AND AVOID RUSH

Early shoppers get better attention because the last few days we cannot cope with conditions. Shop early and avoid the mistakes and confusion of the rush days.

UNCOVER PLOT IN ARREST AT DUPONT PLANT

Roomful of Evidence Found
When Ex-Employee Is
Taken Into Custody.

Salem, N. J., Dec. 17.—Detectives in the employ of the du Pont de Nemours Powder Co. yesterday arrested John Swoboda, known also as Dr. Jacob Swoboda, and by several other names, a former employee of the powder company plant at Penn's Grove, on suspicion that he knew something about the recent explosion at the plant, especially that of Nov. 30 when 21 men were killed. The sequestered charge on which Swoboda was held was the theft of goods valued at \$33 from the powder plant. He was taken into custody at his boarding house in Penn's Grove and brought here to be arraigned before Magistrate Harris D. Smith.

The detectives who brought the prisoner here told the magistrate that they found in his rooms at Penn's Grove gunpowder, both raw and treated, nitroglycerine, dynamite, black powder, and many letters written in French and German. Swoboda told the magistrate that the explosives had been left in his room by fellow boarders. Magistrate Smith held Swoboda in \$1,000 bail. The letters found in his room were being translated last night.

Major Sylvester, former chief of police of Washington, D. C., head of the detective force guarding the plant, said last night that even before the explosion of Nov. 30 he had received information which made him suspicious of the activities of Swoboda. After the explosion he put several men on the trail of Swoboda, who worked in MILL 1 of the big Penn's Grove plant.

Quit Work Suddenly.
Swoboda carried on his activities between Philadelphia and Penn's Grove, said Major Sylvester. "We are tracing men who are said to have worked with him. He went to work in the mill about Sept. 1. A few weeks ago, while we were watching him, the company issued an order that all employees must be photographed and their pictures placed on file with the company. The day after this order was issued Swoboda quit work. He remained in Penn's Grove. He hung around employees and acted generally suspicious. I can tell nothing more of the evidence we gathered which led us to arrest him today. You know what the police found in his rooms."

Magistrate Smith refused to say what was in the letters which he saw. He did say, however, that he regarded the case as "a most important one" and that he expected further developments.

According to the du Pont detectives Swoboda admitted that he had been arrested several times. The detectives said he had been known as Dr. Jacob Swoboda, Louis Hareley, Louis Fallor and Louis Halbert. It was said that the prisoner was arrested in Brooklyn in June, 1911, and served four years in Sing Sing, having been sentenced by Judge Fawcett, and also that he was arrested in Norristown, Penn., in 1906, and served six years

in the Eastern Penitentiary of Pennsylvania, on a charge of having received stolen goods. The police said he admitted that he had served other sentences. Detectives who worked on the case said that a Jacob Swoboda had been arrested in Chicago in 1896 on a charge of larceny, and at that time he had said he was a veteran of the Spanish-American war. He lived in Brooklyn several years.

Sought an "Exposure."
Major Sylvester's men said that a man who gave the name of Dr. Jacob Swoboda, called on the Wilmington newspapers several weeks ago, saying that he was an employee of the du Pont works, and that he wished to have reporters sent to write up the conditions in the plant, which he described as a great menace to the men who worked there. The editors of the newspapers said Swoboda had with him samples of various kinds of powder and other explosives and displayed a close familiarity with them, telling which was made for certain nations. On his trips to the newspapers he was accompanied by a younger man. He explained to the editors that he could obtain admission to the plant for reporters. The "crusade" he advocated was not made.

Swoboda is about 50 years old. He is well educated, speaks several languages and says he is a native of France.

Watched Every Move He Made

Since the explosion on Nov. 30 Major Sylvester has redoubled the watch on all persons in and about the du Pont plants. At least, a dozen detectives have followed every step of Swoboda for two weeks, and evidence gathered regarding his frequent trips to Philadelphia are expected to lead to developments in that city.

It was learned that the detectives photographed Swoboda after he left the plant, and it was by sending this to police in various cities that they obtained an idea of his record, which Swoboda admitted when confronted with his evidence in court today.

90, an average of \$60 each. Each of 183 Pequonnock street, was not

Because Thomas C. Roach, aged 60, of 183 Pequonnock street, was not speedily accommodated when he applied for medicine at the dispensary of the emergency hospital this morning, two of his companions caused a disturbance.

They were threatened with arrest and quieted.

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Attractive Holly Boxes to Purchasers.

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Seely's Women's Wear Shop Will Prove An Unfailing Guide to Gifts in Good Taste For "Her." This Store Mirrors The Latest Modes—The Service Is Individual.

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